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## Senate

The Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable JEAN CARNAHAN, a Senator from the State of Missouri.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Faithful Father, we place our trust in You. We say with the psalmist, "In You, O Lord, I put my trust."—Psalm 71:1. Things don't work out, You work out things. We entrust into Your care the worries and cares we may have brought to work with us today. We commit our loved ones and friends into Your protection. We pray for continued victory in the war against terrorism and pray for the safety of our men and women in the armed services. Here in the Senate family, we pray that our trust in You will make us trustworthy. Give us greater trust in one another. Free us of defensiveness and suspicion of those who may not share our party loyalties or particular persuasions. Bind us together in the oneness of a shared commitment to You, a passionate patriotism, and a loyal dedication to find Your solutions for the concerns that confront and often divide us. Bless the women and men of this Senate as they renew their ultimate trust in You and are faithful to the trust placed in them by the American people. You are our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable JEAN CARNAHAN led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,  
Washington, DC, December 11, 2001.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JEAN CARNAHAN, a Senator from the State of Missouri, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ROBERT C. BYRD,  
President pro tempore.

Mrs. CARNAHAN thereupon assumed the chair as the Acting President pro tempore.

### RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Nevada is recognized.

### SCHEDULE

Mr. REID. Madam President, this morning the Senate will conduct three successive rollcall votes. Following that, the Senate will resume consideration of the farm bill. As has been the case for many months, the Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 for the weekly party conferences.

### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, leadership time is reserved.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

NOMINATION OF JOHN D. BATES, OF MARYLAND, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate will go into executive session and proceed to Executive Calendar Nos. 586, 587, and 591.

The clerk will report Calendar No. 586.

The bill clerk read the nomination of John D. Bates, of Maryland, to be a U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia.

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